



## Appeal to Deliver Aids to Homs' Stricken Villages

Violent clashes between Free Syrian army and other armed factions on one side and government forces on the other took place in Sadad village, which is located in southeastern Homs, a few days ago. These clashes caused the siege of more than 3,000 of the residents of town, the conflict parties asked the residents to stay at homes. As a result, the food and medical supplies start to run out.

SNHR urges the organizations of the International Community which are concerned with the case, particularly the International Committee of the Red Cross to go to the stricken villages and evacuate and help the civilian there. They also had to press on the conflict parties to allow the evacuation of civilians and delivering food and medical supplies.

Government forces and armed opposition elements that sieged those villages complicated the delivering of food and medical supplies and have prevented hundreds of families from leaving and moving to secure areas which is a stark violation of the international humanitarian law that governs the conflict in Syria. Government forces and armed opposition elements must allow delivering food and medical supplies even if they demanded their permission, they can check these convoys but not ban it arbitrarily as what is happening now which seems to be a collective punishment of civilian population. Thus the International Community has to intervene, relief millions of afflicted and take necessary actions regarding this case. The concerned institutions of the International Community have to move quickly and save thousands of souls and uphold their moral and legal responsibility.

